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SUBJECT: EC EXPORT SUBSIDIES FOR BARLEY, MALT AND WHEAT FLOUR

REF: (A) STATE 227270, (B) EC BRUSSELS 4349, (C) EC BRUSSELS 07774

1. MISSION OFFICERS CALLED ON DG I (LOERKE) AND DG VI (JACQUOT) ON SEPTEMBER 15 TO INDICATE THAT U.S. IS REQUESTING GATT ARTICLE XXII (1) CONSULTATIONS ON WHEAT FLOUR AND BARLEY MALT SUBSIDIES PROVIDED BY THE EC. MISSION OFFICERS MADE CLEAR THAT, IN BOTH CASES, U.S. NOTIFICATION TO THE GATT INCLUDED AN INVITATION TO OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES HAVING A SUBSTANTIAL TRADE INTEREST TO JOIN WITH US IN THE CONSULTATION AND THAT ACCORDINGLY, U.S. HOPED THAT THE CONSULTATIONS WOULD TAKE PLACE SHORTLY AFTER THE CLOSE OF AN INITIAL 45-DAY PERIOD.

2. COMMISSION OFFICIALS INDICATED THEY UNDERSTOOD NATURE OF US REQUEST ON BOTH SUBJECTS. ON WHAT FLOUR,
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THEY ADDED PERSONAL EXPRESSIONS OF PERPLEXITY AND

SURPRISE, INDICATING THAT THEIR UNDERSTANDING HAD BEEN THAT DEPUTY STR YEUTTER AND EC AGRICULTURE DIRECTOR GENERAL RABOT HAD AGREED AT THE MAY CONSULTATIONS (REFS B AND C) TO REVIEW THE QUESTION SOMETIME SOON, PROBABLY AROUND THE TIME OF THE NEXT GENERAL USEC CONSULTATIONS IN OCTOBER. THEY SAID THAT RABOT SAW THIS AS A FORMAL COMMITMENT BY BOTH PARTIES AND HAD ASKED JACQUOT A FEW DAYS AGO TO PINDOWN DATES WITH YEUTTER'S OFFICE. ONLY LATTER'S ABSENCE FROM OFFICE LAST WEEK HAD REPORTEDLY PREVENTED THIS FROM OCCURRING. JACQUOT OPINED THAT RABOT WOULD BE ANGRY AT LATEST DEVELOPMENT. COMMISSION OFFICIALS ASKED WHETHER THE US DECISION TO "MULTI-LATERALIZE" DISCUSSION ON WHEAT FLOUR INDICATED THAT WE WERE NO LONGER INTERESTED IN PURSUING THE SUBJECT AT THE YEUTTER-RABOT LEVEL.

3. WITH RESPECT TO TIMING THE TWO CONSULTATIONS TOGETHER, COMMISSION OFFICIALS' INITIAL REACTION WAS THAT THIS MIGHT BE DIFFICULT AND WOULD CLEARLY BE DEPENDENT ON WHICH OTHER CONTRRACTING PARTIES CHOSE TO ASSOCIATE THEMSELVES WITH EITHER ONE OR BOTH OF THE US COMPLAINTS. THEIR INITIAL VIEW WAS THAT BOTH CONSULTATIONS WOULD PROBABLY NEED TO TAKE PLACE IN GENEVA IF OTHER WERE TO PARTICIPATE. HINTON

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